

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Prior to entry of this amendment, the application included claims 1-66. No claims have been amended, canceled or added. Hence, after entry of this Amendment, claims 1-66 stand pending for examination.

Applicants note that reference FR 2,747,208 listed on the Information Disclosure Statement mailed March 18, 2002, was not considered by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review reference FR 2,747,208 and return an initialed SB/08 to the undersigned attorney. Copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, the PTO stamped postcard acknowledging receipt, and the cited reference are enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

Claims 1-64 stand rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-52 of U.S. Patent No. 6,263,446 to Kausik et al. ("Kausik '446").

Claims 1-64 stand rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-95 of U.S. Patent No. 6,170,058 to Kausik ("Kausik '058").

Claims 1-64 stand provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 4-20, 23-31 and 34-43 of co-pending U.S. Application No. 09/874,795 to Hird ("Hird").

The Office Action does not specifically address claims 65 and 66. The Applicants respectfully request clarification regarding the allowability of claims 65 and 66.

Double Patenting

The Applicants again respectfully traverse the double patenting rejection of all claims. The claims of the cited patents do not teach or suggest the elements of the pending

claims of the instant application. In responding to the Applicants' prior arguments along these lines, the Office Action directs attention to the specification. This appears to be an improper rejection. Moreover, the Office Action draws improper conclusions without providing appropriate analysis in support thereof, as described in greater detail below.

In rejecting claims 1-64 in view of claims 1-52 of Kausik '446, the Office Action states "the element 'wherein said candidate secret comprises a pseudo-valid secret configured to camouflage said secret if said candidate password is not said password' and 'said candidate secret has the structural form of a private key', is referred in the patent claims as 'said server is configured to store said authentication credential in cryptographically camouflaged form.'" This confirms that the claims of Kausik '446 DO NOT anticipate the claims of the instant application, because the quoted elements are not the same.

In responding to the Applicants' prior arguments along these lines, the Office Action directs attention to the instant specification. This fails to cure the improper rejection. All pending claims are, therefore, believed to be allowable over Kausik '446.

Similarly, the Office Action makes an improper conclusion, unsupported by any analysis, that the claims of Kausik '058 teach all of the claim elements. This is not the case. The Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection of claims 1-64 over Kausik '058. The Applicants believe claims 1-64 to be allowable over Kausik '058.

The Applicants acknowledge and respectfully traverse the rejection of claims 1-64 over Hird. The claims of Hird do not teach or suggest all claim elements, and the Office Action does not provide any analysis supporting the conclusion that the instant claims are anticipated. Hence, the Applicants believe claims 1-64 to be patentable over Hird.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, the Applicants believe all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

Respectfully submitted,

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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						YES	NO
	WO 96/02993	2/1996	WO	H04L	9/32		
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